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Open Procurement Procedure ECHA/2015/226

Coordinated approach to assessment and evaluation of Biocidal disinfectants for the second priority list

Clarification 1

Question 1.1:

Concerning the Contractor, we would like to know if you envisage or if you prefer to have different institutes/Member States, as a consortium, or if an Agency possessing all the required skills could apply alone for this call for tender?

Answer:

1. An economic operator can submit a tender alone, without partners or subcontractors.

2. Then, as indicated in the Tender Specifications (page 18), **both joint offers** (e.g. submitted by a consortium) **and subcontracting are also allowed** in response to this call for tenders. Offers may even combine both approaches. In any case, the tender documents must specify very clearly by means of the appropriate forms, whether each company involved in the tender is acting as a partner in a joint offer or as a subcontractor (this also applies where the various companies involved belong to the same group, or even where one is the parent company of the others).

It is the choice of the tenderer which approach to follow. The Agency will base its award decision on the criteria laid out in the Tender Specifications only. Tenderers are therefore reminded to carefully take into consideration the administrative requirements and the criteria (for exclusion, selection and award) that will be assessed by the Agency, as described in the different sections of the Specifications.

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